MATUCANA IN PERU.

An Almost Abandoned Town Nestled High Up in the Andes.

Extensive and Picturesque Ruins of Once Favorite Resort.

People Who Go 240 Miles to Market and Will Not Use the Railroad.

Primitive Costumes and Habits of the Natives-Beautiful Scenery.

CALLAO, PERU, April 21 .- Matucana is one of the small puebles on the railroad to Oroya, but being especially well situated as to altitude it was a favorite resort for people from Lima and Callao "befo' de wah," so much so that, although the country is far from quiet, a Scotchman, remembering its former popularity, went there about three mouths ago and built a small botel, and is now reaping a golden harvest. Here is where we spent a week. The altitude is nearly 8,000 feet above the sea, which is just low enough for persons not to be seriously incommoded by soroche, and yet high enough to run no risk of the much dreaded verrugas, which pre-vails at from 3,000 to 6,000 feet.

The pueblo or town was quite a large one, and when the Chilians destroyed it they simply burned the thatched roofs and wooden doors of the little dwellings, leaving the adobe walls standing; so you get an idea of just how it all looked. The houses very rarely consisted of more than one room, and rarely consisted of more than one room, and light and air came in at the door. There were no chimneys, as all the cocking is done on double earthenware pots or on the fire built out of doors, and they use small bits of wood and a little charcoal for fuel. The streets are narrow, and down the center of each runs a little stream of water confined on either side by cobble stones. This water comes from the river and is utilized for everything. They drink of it, wash their food, their household utensfis and clothes in it, but, by some strange fatality, not themselves. When a woman wishes to weah clothes she dams up the stream with a few clothes she dams up the stream with a few stones, thus making a puddle in the street, and beside this she equats and cleaness (?) her soiled garments.

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Some of the people have wandered back to their former homes and roofed them in with pieces of corrugated iron, held in place by large stones. On the plaza is the old cathelarge stones. On the plaza is the old cathedral, with a most ruinous and picturesque beifry at one corner. The beil is sounded by the clapper being moved by one of the natives; and it was a strange picture on Sanday morning to see the groups of Indians standing about the plaza clad in their gayly-colored garments, the old cathedral behind them, and at one side the belfry with the ponchoed Indian in it, slowly striking the old bell. The interior is not interesting, as nothing remains but a crucifix and parts of the side altars, this building having been used as a barracks by the soldiers, and they carried as a barracks by the soldiers, and they carried off everything portable. A fat old nadre, who certainly is not an ornament to his church, if you consider his behavior out of the sacred edifice, presides at the mass on Sundays and

edifice, presides at the mass on Sundays and buries the dead or baptizes or marries the tiving if they have enough money to pay bim for his pains.

The valley widens a little where the town is, but it is none too wide then, and the towering mountains come steeply down on every side, until you wonder semetimes how you got there and how you are going to get out. Bridle paths lead all about over the mountains, but they are rough and uncared for, and so steep that I declined to trust myself on a mule, although those little brutes crawl over difficulties here, as they do in so many other mountainous districts, and seem to have no center of gravity, or at least one they can shift at will. Besides these little beasts of burden, the peasants have Ilamas they can shift at will. Besides these little beasts of burden, the peasants have llamas and small horses, and you often meet droves of them making their way down to town with sacks of delicious mountain potatoes firmly lashed upon their backs by raw hide ropes, and followed by several natives—men, women, and children. It seems strange that you see very few half grown boys or girls among them; they are generally infants, carried on their mothers' backs, or of foll stature.

These Indians are pureblooded, and their most marked feature is what learned men call the American nose. They are peaceable and

the American nose. They are peaceable and have good features, dark, copper-colored skins, and straight, glossy black hair. Their figures would be better if they were not so thick set, but this gives you an impression of great strength, and their carriage is good. The men have, at most, a thin, straggling beard, and often none at all. Their ancestors always pulled out their beards with tweezers, and finally those hirsute ornaments seem to have become discouraged and refuse to grow. They live in little hovels or holes in the hillside, and for a living cultivate the small

terraces about them, each one owning one or more of these places. High upon the moun-tain they raise potatoes, and in the valleys— more correctly, ravines—corn. They live on more correctly, ravines—corn. They live on potatoes and parched corn, only rarely eating meat, and then it is generally goat or kid. The surplus of their crops they soll to buy chicins and pisco to get drunk on. When they are on the road to town they will stop and talk with you, and are as sober and solemn as judges, but on the way home they are, almost without exception, gloriously drunk, and go smiling by. The women are as bad as the men, and you wonder how they ever reach their homes, over the paths they have to follow. One thing which struck me as peculiar is that, drunk or sober they never as peculiar is that, drunk or sober, they never

Their garments are made from the wool of vicuna, llama, alpaca, ordinary goat of commerce, or cotton—generally of alpaca. The women spin the wool and weave the cloth on their rough hand looms. You see them spinning as they walk along the paths, their distaff being a forked twig with the bunch of wool stuck on it, and their spindle a straight piece of wood, with a small potato or piece of corn cob on the lower end to keep the thread on. The cloth is about eighteen inches wide and is always soft, warm, and pliable. The alpaca, like the vicuna, has a long map on both sides, which makes it very pretty and in nowise resembles the harsh, wiry stuff that is turned out from our looms at home and labeled alpaca. Their garments are made from the wool of

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The women wear a dress which comes about midway between the knee and ankle, cut quite low about the neck, and having shortish sleeves. This is generally dyed dark blue, and over it is worn the mourning care blue, and over it is worn the mourning sapron, twisted to one side. A Panama hat generally covers their head, but if they are too poor to buy one of these they go bareheated. Their feet and legs are bare, save a piece of hide with the hair left on, which barely covers the sole and top of the toes, and is held in place by a piece of raw hide, which is run through holes cut in the edge and they drawn up tight and tied like. which is run through holes cut in the edge and then drawn up tight and tied, like a gathering string. Although not strictly part of their toilet, these women always have a bundle on their backs, which generally in-cludes a baby. This is held in place by a broad band of cloth that covers everything, except the child's head, and is brought over the shoulders and tied across the chest.

The men wear shirts, short trowsers al-The men wear shirts, short trowsers almost knee-breeches), a ponche and a Panama hat; they have bare legs and wear the same shoes. Sometimes, when on a journey, I have seen them wearing footloss stockings and long armiets. They wear their garments until they are worn out, and then put on new enes; they never take them off to sleep, but live, die, and are buried in them. It is only in the towns. I am assured that washing is in the towns, I am assured, that washing is done. Their hair must be inhabited, for you often see them looking over one another's heads. On Sunday the women add a manta to their other clothes, and this is generally planed in front, with a large, handsome silver pla, shaped like a dagger, the head being large and ornate. These plus are handed down from generation to generation, and are much prized by their owners. The Sunday mantas are dyed the most brilliant colors—red, magenta, blue, or green. They also have a pretty brown dye, and some of the patterns woven in their cloths are exceptionally pretty. One of the sights of the place was the droves of mules that came down the valley every day, and after stopping in town long in the towns, I am assured, that washing is done. Their hair must be inhabited, for you

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load, always consisted of two wooden boxes, almost covered with lashings, so firmly were they tied on. I found out upon inquiry that these contained hens' eggs, on their way to Lima. They came from Jauja (pronounced Kowka), on the other side of the Andes; in short, they were making a journey of 240 miles to market. There are 400 eggs in a box, making 800 to a mule, that being called a cargo. They have carried eggs dewn in this way for years, and refuse to use the railway from Chiela, which would save them a walk of eighty miles each way, and they refuse to sell en route, even if you pay them double what they can got in Lima. While we were in Matucana the eggs gave out, and the hotel keeper tried to buy of these people in vain, so the subprefect erdered a woman to stop and sell her cargo. I wish you could have heard her talk! Any one would have imagined that she was being robbed, instead of gotting an advanced price, but she sold them, scolding all the while, even at the last abusing the proprietor because he offered to pay her in silver, insisting on paper, and the next day she continued her journey to Lima, bound to go there anyway. The eggs are packed in chopped hay, and very rarely is one broken. The usual price that they receive is 3 cents an egg by he cargo.

Summer in the mountains is the rainy he cargo.

Summer in the mountains is the rainy Summer in the mountains is the rainy season, and sometimes a stray shower comes down to within thirty-four miles of the coast, but at Matucana, which is about sixty-four miles inland, the rains are heavy. Last month, when we were there, was the first fall month and the rainy season was about over, but we had occasional showers late in the afternoon and the flowers were very abundant. I nover dreamed of such beautiful wild flowers, and such a variety of them, not stunted and small, but large, rich in color, and many having a delicious perfume. Among the most and small, but large, rich in color, and many having a delicious perfume. Among the most familiar were heliotrope, lantana, carnations, red, pink, and white; morning glories, blue, purple, white, and flaming scarlet; dande-lions, single marigolds, oxalis, and a hundred others that I never saw before, growing on vines, or large or small bushes, clothing the mountain sides and making them look green and heartiful. There were quantities of wild mountain sides and making them look green and beautiful. There were quantities of wild cats, and you could not step off the paths without treading on blossoms of one kind or other. These all dry up in the winter and seem to entirely disappear, leaving the mountains barren and forlors as they are on

the coast,
When you are down in a valley you look up at the surrounding mountains and say to yourself that you will climb one of them and look over to see how the country looks beyond. So you pick out your mountain, it makes no difference which, and climb to the top, taking about all day to get there, some-times more, and when you are on the summit you see before you another mountain as high you see before you another mountain as high again as the one you have climbed, and between it and you a steep raving with a mountain torrent feaming down it. If you persevere and climb the other mountain, you only find it surrounded by still higher ones, so you give it up and wander around the ravines and mountain sides near your abiding place and enjoy the flowers and the pure, clear sir. MARGUERITE DICKINS.

THE HOUSE ON SATURDAY.

A Lively Debate Over a Bill to Allow a Naval Officer to Receive a Medal for Gallant Service.

Under the special order of the house Saturday was assigned to measures called up by the committee on navel affairs. The first bill called up was the senate bill granting permission to L. K. Reynolds, U. S. N., to accept the decoration of the Royal and Imperial Order of Francis Joseph from the government of Austria.

This was opposed by Messrs. Robinson and Brumm, the latter saying that he had been misrepresented by Mr. Cox, who supported the bill.
Mr. Cox replied, until the gentleman had
spoken to him, he did not know that the gentleman was in the same category with his colleague. They were now contending which should be the

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Mr. Cox. The gentleman is rather too flush in his words. I don't take that from anybody, and never have, and I sive it back to him. I was not bound to look up every man who had objected. I did consult with Masars. Woller and Finerty, and they withdrew their objections.

Mr. Robinson. Mr. Finerty did not withdraw his objection.

Mr. Kasson said that in a former case of granting a medal involving no gallantry he had voted against a certain bill. When a question of personal gallantry was presented, which did honor to the individual and to the naval service, as the pending case did, he would favor it. The gentleman from New York [Mr. Robinson] was persistent in the wrong, and in distancering his own countrymen by denying to them the praize which was accorded to them.

Mr. Robinson. I want the words taken down—that I am dishonorable; the man who violates the constitution. Eath m withdraw nothing. I say that the man who stigmatizes with the word "dude" a gallant naval officer does dishonor to the navy and the officers of the navy. [Applause.]

Mr. Cox replied to a remark dropped by Mr. Robinson to the effect that he would not dure to justify his advocacy of this measure by declaring that if there was one thing which his districtiked it was the action of men in saving life. There was a man standing in Castle Garden now who had saved thirty-four lives, and had been the recipient of many medals and badges. There was in his district a policeman—Samuel Sullivan Cox, no relative of his—who had saved seventeen lives, and was ready to save the life of any one who came along, even the lives of the gentlemen from Pennsylvania and New York, Mr. Brumm and Mr. Robinson being numble to muster a spinient followed.

Robinson.

The bill was then passed without division, Mr. Robinson being unable to muster a sufficient following to call the year and nays.

OTHER BILLS PASSED.

The following bills were passed:
To equalize the rank of the graduates of the
Navai academy. [It provides that all graduates
of the academy who are assigned to the line of
the navy shall be commissioned ensigns, and
abolishes the grade of junior ousign.]
For the appointment of Julius A. Kaiser on the
retired list of the navy, with the rank of passed
assistant outdiner. assistant engineer.

For the retirement of Samuel Kramer, with the mank of chaplain.

rank of chaplain.

Granting to passed assistant engineers an increase of pay of \$250 after ten years' service, and a s'unitar increase after fifteen years.

Restoring Aifred Hopkins to the rank of captain in the navy.

GRADUATES FROM THE NAVAL ACADEMY.

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The next bill was considered in committee of the whole. It provides that that part of the naval act of 1582 which limits the number of graduates of the naval academy to be reminded in the sorvice each year, shall not apply to those clauses which had completed the four years' course at the scademy prior to the passage of the act, and those members of the class of 1881, who have been honorably discharged, may return to the service and take their places on the naval register in the same manner as if that part of the act had not been passed. The committee recommend an amendment reducing the number of appointoes to the academy one half.

After a long debate and without taking action the committee rose.

THE ANIMAL INDUSTRY BUREAU BILL. THE ANHAL INDUSTRY BUREAU HILL.

Mr. Hat h presented the conference report on
the bill to establish a bureau of animal industry.
The house conferees recommend concurrence in
all the sonate amendments. The amount of appropriation is reduced from \$250,000 to \$150,000;
and the purisdiction of the commissioner of agriculture is limite-ito such investigation and to such
disinfection and quarantine measures as may be
necessary to prevent the spread of contagious and
intectious diseases from one state or terratory into
another, and he is prohibited from applying any nother, and he is prohibited from applying any noney loward paying for animals it is found secessary to sloughter in order to prevent the pread of the disease. The report was agreed to.

GREAT race at Athletic park to-day.

Excursions Down the River. Four excursions went down the river yesterday and hundreds of people took advantage of the opportunity to get away from the oppressive heat of the city and to enjoy a

breath of fresh air on the river.

The German Maunerchor society gave a large excursion in the forencen and a large number of German merchants and their families enjoyed a sail to Marshall hall on the Thompson and a ramble in the woods. Many of them carried rods and lines and spent their time angling for white porch. The ferry steamers were also crowded all day

Two Bands of Fatth Healers.

A new band of faith healers was organized vesterday afternoon at No. 413 Sixth street. Brother Joseph R. Logan, known familiarly "Baptist Joe," was installed as chief heater. Meetings will be held during the week, and invalids will be heated by faith

and prayer.

The other band held a meeting at Raphael hall, 417 K street northeast, in the afternoon, and prayed for a number of afflicted persons who had sent in requests for prayer. Brother Raymond presided.

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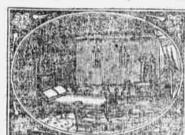
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